

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 1 with the following amended paragraph:

At this time, the following condition may be considered. Namely, when a concentration of a photo-cured product of a photo-curing composition having a liquid crystal skeletal structure in the liquid crystal layer is from 0.3 to 3 wt%, a voltage above a threshold voltage is applied to the liquid crystal layer and the tilt angle of the liquid crystal skeletal structure is fixed while the rays of light are being irradiated under the state where the liquid crystal layer is deformed. It is preferred in this case to align the liquid crystal molecules and the liquid crystal skeletal structures so as to satisfy the following relation:

- (3) When dielectric anisotropy of liquid crystal molecule is negative:

$$(\beta_1 + \beta_2)/2 - \theta < \theta - \alpha$$

- (4) When dielectric anisotropy of liquid crystal molecule is positive:

$$\theta - (\beta_1 + \beta_2)/2 < \alpha - \theta$$